

PASSENGERS TELL OF ATROCITIES

Young Californian Is Tortured to Death in Presence of Wife and Children.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Passengers arriving here yesterday on the Pacific Mail steamer San Jose added fresh chapters to the stories of violence, pillage and demoralization in Mexico.

James B. Sexton of Minneapolis, a mining man who has been at Tepic for the last year told of the murder of Juan Edson, a young Californian whose father was an American. Edson, said Sexton, was slain on his ranch near Tepic by a band of Corra Indians, who tortured him in the presence of his wife and children. Afterward they looted the hacienda.

According to Sexton, robber bands have not been confining themselves to the property of natives. Adolph Ludeke, a German merchant of Acapulco, according to Sexton, had

his store looted of merchandise valued at \$40,000. When the bandits appeared Ludeke hoisted the German flag on the roof of his store as a warning. The bandits, however, according to Sexton, tore down the flag, and trampled it under foot.

The Constitutionalist movement was said by the San Jose's passengers to be spreading throughout the west coast of Mexico.

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SON OF SALT LAKE MAN IN TROUBLE

Denver, Colo., Dec. 16.—"I admit the whole confession," was the declaration this morning on the witness stand of Harry E. Hillen on trial for the killing of Thomas J. Chase, during an attempted holdup on the night of October 24. As he confessed he faked and broke down.

Hillen paralleled the confession he made to the police and later signed at the county jail, save for the killing of Chase. He declared that he did not attempt to hold up Chase and denied that he killed him. The crime, he declared, was committed by someone else.

He said he was born in St. Paul, Minn., but did not know his exact age. He told of having been taken west by his parents, of domestic difficulties that resulted in his being placed in the Newsboys home at San Francisco and of his adoption by a family which he did not name.

He admitted that early in life he forged his father's name to several checks and that he served a sixty-day sentence in jail in Los Angeles. He admitted also having served a term in the Utah prison at Salt Lake for forging the name of R. J. Hicks, his uncle, to five checks.

He referred to burglaries, holdups and safe robberies throughout the country and told of robbing a hotel safe in Fresno, Cal., and obtaining \$225.

On cross-examination he admitted holdups in Denver charged against him, excepting that E. A. Clark, who was shot through the shoulder, and the attempted holdup of James Blanton and Thomas J. Chase.

"I had been drinking and went to bed early the night Chase was shot," he asserted, "and I did not waken until the next afternoon."

Both sides have rested and a verdict is expected tomorrow.

IDAHO POTATO CROP NOT ALL SOLD YET

Idaho Falls, Ida., Dec. 17.—A report was printed in a Boise paper Saturday to the effect that the potato crop of southeastern Idaho had been cleaned up, with the exception of a few hundred carloads remaining in the growers' cellars. The crop had all been delivered. Inquiry here developed what was said to be a conservative estimate of the potatoes on hand as in the neighborhood of 2400 cars. The estimate of the crop produced in Idaho Falls and vicinity is 4000 cars, and for the entire southeastern district between 6800 and 7000 cars.

Conditions are better today, as the price advanced locally to 65 cents a hundred. A recent issue of a Milwaukee paper gives the following quotations there: Minnesota or Wisconsin Early Ohio potatoes, per bushel, 63 cents to 65 cents; home grown, 70 cents to 80 cents; round white, 65 cents to 67 cents; fancy dusty russets, 67 cents to 68 cents; frost or poor down, 50 cents to 55 cents; Idaho, \$1 to \$1.10.

MORAN IS DISQUALIFIED

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 17.—Owen Moran, the English lightweight was disqualified by the referee in the sixth round of a scheduled ten round fight with Joe Azevedo last night and the decision was awarded to the Sacramento fighter.

MOB LYNCHES TWO NEGROES

Confessed Murderers of Former Prison Trusty Hanged at Blanchard, Louisiana.

Shreveport, La., Dec. 16.—Two negroes, Ernest and Frank Williams were lynched by a mob at Blanchard La., today. They had confessed to killing Calvin Ballard, whose body was found hacked to pieces in his store Saturday morning.

The negroes lynched are believed to have been friends of three negroes whom Ballard killed several months ago when they attempted to escape from the Louisiana penitentiary where Ballard at the time was a trusty. Ballard was rewarded soon by his directors, said the club, for he had been serving a ten-year sentence for killing his brother.

CLEVELAND TO SURRENDER FRANCHISE

Cleveland, O., Dec. 17.—Cleveland will not be in the Federal baseball league for the season of 1914, unless something unforeseen develops, it was revealed today. Charles X. Zimmerman, former president of the local club and still a member of the board of directors, said the club had failed to procure new grounds for the coming year, without which they will be obliged to surrender their franchise.

MONEY FOR THE INDIANS OF UTAH

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Lorenzo D. Creel, special agent for scattered bands of Indians in Utah, has been in Washington for several days making plans for the coming year's work and discussing them with the Indian bureau here. Mr. Creel's territory is a vast one and the work accomplished has been approved by the department. He has asked for a \$15,000 appropriation to continue it.

The Indians in Skull valley and Deep Creek have received much attention during the past year and the results are very encouraging. Two schools have been established there and the department has furnished the money to give them a completed line of school supplies and furnishings. Mr. Creel has done away with the unsanitary tents and huts with dirt floors by allowing Indians a certain

amount with which to build neat, two-room houses with board floors and many conveniences.

The bureau of Indian affairs has promised to supply a trained nurse, who will visit each camp and attend to each necessary case. Trachoma will be handled in a way that will bring every afflicted person under the direct supervision of the trained nurses. This disease together with consumption makes heavy ravages among the Indians.

The more recent work of Mr. Creel has been in the San Juan county, where about two hundred Utes, properly belonging to the Navajo Springs reservation in Colorado, are now located. The lands of this reservation have been quite extensively leased and the government will remedy this as fast as possible and offer inducements to get the Indians in San Juan county to return to their own reservation, where the lands are more adapted to their needs.

These Utes are quite wealthy, the estimated wealth per capita being \$3,000. They exist mostly by hunting and kindred means, while the land of San Juan county is especially adapted for dry farming, for which pursuit the Indians so far have not shown much adaptability. By establishing boarding schools for the Indian children on the Navajo Springs reservation it is hoped that the Indians may be induced to return there without other offers.

RAY CONSOLIDATED IS A BIG PROPERTY

Constantly increasing efficiency at every step from taking of the ore from the ground until the smelter product is put upon the markets of the world has been the secret of the wonderful success of the great porphyries that have been developed in this country in the past ten years.

This has been marked all along the line, but nowhere more so than in mill operations. The Magna plant at Gardfield is an illustration. It was built as a 6000-ton plant, but without increasing the size of the building, its capacity has been doubled. This is true in a lesser degree of others of the Jackling properties notably the Chino, where reduction units built to treat 750 tons daily are now handling 1200 tons daily.

The application of this principle to the Ray Consolidated is in part responsible for the gradual increase in its production during the second half of the year. In July its production was 4,097,000 pounds of copper and the preliminary estimates of the November output place the amount at 4,925,000 pounds. Two years ago it was averaging a production slightly under 2,000,000 pounds a month, and at the present rate of increase it will be producing better than 5,000,000 pounds a month next year.

Last month was the banner performance of this great porphyry property. While it only treated 215,619 tons of ore as compared to 217,891 tons during October, it is apparent that an improvement both in recoveries and the grade of ore mined is being shown. During the past month it averaged better than 7000 tons of ore daily in its mill operations, and it is expected that by the end of February the company will utilize its full mill capacity of 8000 tons of ore daily. While no definite plans have been announced by Managing Director Jackling and his engineers it is understood that it may be decided to increase the mill capacity at this property some time in the future.

The capacity could be raised to 12,000 tons daily with comparatively small expenditure, as the present mill was built with this possibility in mind.

Costs are being reduced and by the end of this month it is expected that they will be back to 9 1/2 cents a pound again. During the third quarter of this year the costs were increased to 10 1/2 cents a pound, as



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VALUE OF UTAH CROPS SHOW AN INCREASE

Salt Lake, Dec. 17.—When compared with figures of last year, seven of Utah's crops this year show an increased valuation, according to the annual estimate of the United States bureau of statistics and the weather bureau, issued by A. H. Thieszen of the weather bureau. The total increase amounts to \$252,000 in spite of the lower prices which prevailed this year.

The report shows wheat to be the leading crop, with a production of 6,400,000 bushels. Oats are second with 4,140,000 bushels. From a standpoint of value, potatoes lead with 909,000,000 bushels, valued at \$8,272,000.

VISITING EDUCATORS SEE UTAH COUNTY SCHOOLS

Spanish Fork, Dec. 16.—Miss Edith Latrop, assistant to James Dalzell, superintendent of Nebraska schools, and J. C. Muernan, United States government inspector of rural schools visited schools in southern Utah today, were guests of the county superintendent, J. Preston Cree, at a banquet at noon and attended a reception given by teachers of the southern part of the county in the evening.

Both in private conversation and in their public addresses, the visitors praised the schools of Utah county and of the state. They will visit schools on Provo Bench, Mapleton and other points tomorrow. They were at Lake Shore, Payson, Salem and Spanish Fork today making the trip by automobile.

Mr. Muernan declared that while Utah's schools had not all points of excellence they had their share and ranked high in his public work address, he outlined his work as consisting of gathering facts concerning

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